

Application No. 10/622,887  
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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1 - 43 (Canceled)

44. (Previously Added) A system for coating containers, comprising  
an apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container;  
a first conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is  
selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating an area  
of damaged protective coating on that container; and  
a second conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is  
selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating an area  
of damaged protective coating on that container.
45. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 44, wherein each ~~pedestal~~ platform  
of the first conveyor is selectively actuable to position one of the containers proximate  
a first heater for heating the area of damaged protective coating on the container.
46. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 44, wherein each ~~pedestal~~ platform  
of the second conveyor is selectively actuable to position one of the containers  
proximate a carrier unit for depositing protective coating material attached to the carrier  
unit onto the area of damaged protective coating on the container.
47. (Currently Amended) A system for coating containers, comprising  
an apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container;  
a rotary manipulator;  
at least one heating unit, positioned adjacent the rotary manipulator;  
a first conveyor, for supplying containers to the rotary manipulator;  
wherein the rotary manipulator rotates the containers to a position proximate the  
apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container, and to a  
position proximate the at least one heating unit; and  
a second conveyor for removing containers from the rotary manipulator.

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48. (Canceled)

49. (New) A system for coating containers, comprising  
an apparatus for coating a limited area on a container;  
a first conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is  
selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating a  
limited area on that container; and  
a second conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is  
selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating a  
limited area on that container.